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Examiner: Howard Owens

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Applicant: Roderic M.K. Dale et al.

Title: Method for Nucleic Acid Preparation

Filing Date: December 31, 1998

Attached please find the Reply to the Final Office Action that was filed in the above-referenced application on August 29, 2001. As we discussed on the telephone earlier today, Examiner Howard Owens indicated that the Reply was never received in the Patent Office. We would therefore appreciate your assistance in forwarding the attached copy of the Reply to Examiner Owens. Please note that responsibility for this application was only recently transferred to our firm and that the Reply was filed by the previous counsel of record. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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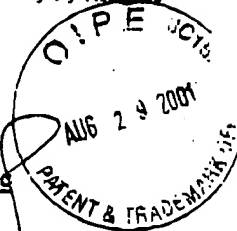
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